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## INTELLIGENCE REPORT

**COUNTRY** Poland

**SUBJECT** State Tractor and Agricultural Machinery Company.

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## ORIGIN

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1. The State Tractor and Agricultural Machinery Company (Państwowe Przedsiębiorstwo Traktorów i Maszyn Rolniczych) is subordinate to the Minister of Agriculture and was founded to promote cultivation of the soil by mechanical means. The company's tractors are for use on large collective farms and the company is modelled on the Soviet "traktoryiye stancyi" system.

2. The head office of the company is at Lodz, ul. Kosciuszki, [ ] and, in addition to branches in every voivodate, there are delegate's offices in Warsaw and Danzig with tractor "Stations" in all rural districts.

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### 3. Personnel:

Head Office: Manager in Chief; Eng. Zygmunt Asniel (P.S.L.)

First Deputy Director: Eng. Dr. Zeleznik

( non-party )

Second " " Stanislaw Olmanski

(non-party)

## Acting First

Deputy Director : Bohatynski (ex RAF Officer, non-party; repatriated from London in April 1946).

## Acting Second

Deputy Director : Mgr. Chrzanowski  
of ( non-party)

Head/Administ. Dept. : Jan Szwodowski  
( Labor party)

Head of Financial Dept. Antoni Walentynowicz  
( non-party )

Head of Technical " : Jerzy Waraszkiewicz  
( non-party )

Head of Repairs " : Jozef Pawluk, a Jew;  
collaborates with the  
Security Service

Head of Stocks " : Wladyslaw Brzozowski  
( non-party)

Head of inspection " : Stanislaw Witos  
( P.S.L.)

There is no Party cell but there is a "Workers Council" in the Head Office of this firm (the only instance of one in the whole of Lodz).

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Head of the Branch at Bialystok:	Eng. Burzynski (S.L.)
" " " " " Lublin :	Smolenski (non-party)
" " " " " Rzeszow :	Eng. Buchelt " "
" " " " " Krakow :	Podkrebelny " "
" " " " " Katowice :	Major Walner " "
" " " " " Opole :	Pittner " "
" " " " " Cieplice::	Major Glowacki (P.P.R. )
" " " " " Stettin :	Bojarski (non-party)
" " " " " Danzig :	Eng. Chrome (S. L.)
" of the Delegates Office	
at Warsaw :	Skupinski (P.P.R.)
" " " Branch at Lodz :	Dlugolecki (non-party)

Only a very small number of employees among the lower grades of officials belong to the P.P.R. For this reason, the whole firm is virulently attacked by the Party, the Trade Unions and the Press and difficulties are put in the way of its work by other government offices. It is not popular with the Government and is attacked during meetings of the KRN (National Council) and various commissions. Government elements are doing their best to credit the firm as a tool of Mikolajczyk's. In July 1946, the total number of employees was 26,500 persons, including some 6,000 tractor drivers and approximately 6,000 fitters, plus unskilled auxiliary personnel and the administrative staff.

There are approximately 3,000 trucks and 2,000 passenger cars undergoing repairs and overhaul. Every tractor driver is liable to enrollment in the Motorized Arm after a short period of training. The firm also possesses a considerable stock of lubricants and many fuel depots. At present its tractors and machines are engaged on agricultural tasks such as sowing in the spring and autumn, harvesting in the summer and transport in the winter. Last spring nearly one million hectares of land were ploughed by this firm, mostly in the newly recovered territories in the West.

A tractor driver ploughs an average of 3 to 4½ hectares of land a day for an average consumption of 20-25 kg. of heavy oil per hectare. There have been individual cases of drivers ploughing up ten hectares of land daily with [ ] tractors, working from morning till night.

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The peasants distrust the Company as they consider its activities the first step towards the introduction of a system of kolkhozes and collective farming. They did, however, avail themselves during the spring and summer of the facilities offered and gladly rented the tractors, as the ploughing of a hectare cost them 500 zlotys, plus the driver's board, while to plough the same area by horse-drawn ploughs cost approximately 2,000 zlotys. Tractors are used mostly on state owned properties and abandoned landed estates.

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